



REPORT, &c.

January to December, 1927,

OF THE

BRENTFORD

DISPENSARY.

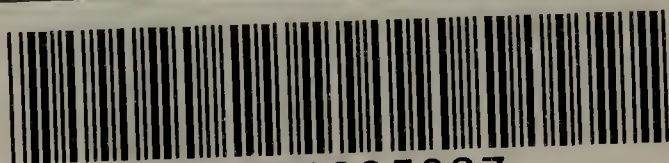
COTTAGE HOSPITAL

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NURSES' HOME

(Dispensary founded in the year 1818.)

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REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

30th March, 1928.

STATEMENT OF HON. TREASURER.

REPORT OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE

OF THE

BRENTFORD COTTAGE HOSPITAL

DISPENSARY AND NURSES' HOME.

LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS.

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RULES & REGULATIONS FOR HOSPITAL.

CEREMONY OF LAYING OF
FOUNDATION STONE OF NEW HOSPITAL.

OPENING CEREMONY OF NEW HOSPITAL.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE.

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LIFE GOVERNORS.	The Rev. C. P. KOELLE,
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L.R.C.P., L.S.A.

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H. F. METCALF, L.D.S., R.C.S. (Eng.).

Honorary Ophthalmic Surgeon :

W. H. WALTER, M.D.

Matron :

Miss HILDA STAINER.

BRENTFORD HOSPITAL.

The Annual Meeting of Subscribers and Friends of the Hospital was held in St. Laurence Church Room, kindly lent by the Rev. C. P. Koelle, on Friday, 30th March, 1928, at 8 o'clock p.m.

The Chair was taken by Thomas Stallabrass, Esq., J.P., supported by Mr. A. H. Charlton, J.P. (Chairman of the House Committee), the Rev. C. P. Koelle, M.A., Mr. F. S. Cross (Hon Treasurer), and Mr. T. A. Baker (Hon. Secretary).

There were also present the following : Mrs. Stallabrass, Mrs. Walter Pearce, Mrs. Doran, Mrs. R. H. Brandon, Mrs. Gomm, Mrs. Chas. Jupp, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. E. E. Carth, Miss E. Needham, Nurse Burch, Mrs. Poole, Mrs. Underwood, Miss Smith, Mrs. Mills, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. T. Baker, Sister Stainer (Matron of the Hospital), Mr. Chas. Taylor, Mr. W. H. Bellamy, Mr. Mills, Mr. R. H. Branden, Mr. Dinnis, Mr. Elms, Mr. Chas. Jupp, the Rev. Father Roche, Mr. G. Challis, Mr. E. C. Jones, Mr. T. Doran, Mr. Geo. Gandy, Mr. Poole, Mr. H. S. Green, Mr. Foxley, Mr. E. Smith, Mr. Sheath, Mr. Norman Stallabrass, Dr. Neil, Dr. Bhandari, Dr. A. Dakers Gowans.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

A letter of regret was read from Mr. T. A. Coysh, Hon. Dental Surgeon to the Hospital, expressing his regret at being unable to be present, and expressing a wish that when the new Hospital was opened he would give any assistance possible to the Institution.

The Hon. Secretary then read out the alterations in Rules 8 and 9, which were to read as follows :—

Rule VIII.—The General Committee, any five members of which shall form a quorum, shall meet after the Annual Meeting of Subscribers, and shall annually appoint from its members a House Committee of Management, consisting of twelve, together with the President, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretary, and the Medical Staff, who shall be ex-officio members. The said House Committee of Management, any five members of which shall form a quorum, shall appoint the Nursing Staff and control the arrangements for the efficient working of the Hospital.

Rule IX.—The General Committee shall appoint annually the Medical Officers for the ensuing year, any vacancy occurring may be filled by the House Committee.

Mr. A. H. Charlton proposed that these Rules as now read should be adopted.—Mr. Chas. Taylor seconded the proposition, which was carried unanimously.

The Chairman, in his speech, stated that the year's working of the Hospital has been successful and full, and much good work has been done, and it has warranted its existence. The year has been a busy one for all connected with the work, and there has been a continuous succession of events to raise money to complete that which we have set our hands to. When last we met, a year ago, the Hospital was not commenced. I had the pleasure to tell you a townsman, Mr. Challis, would have the building, his price being the lowest; also, that we hoped to be able to open the Hospital free from debt. Now we feel confident that with the amount we hope to obtain from the Bazaar, to be shortly held, and the few subscriptions that come in from time to time, we shall be in that happy position on the day of opening.

At Mr. Baker's suggestion last year, I mentioned in my speech the INDEPENDENT should get up a Shilling Subscription; they have taken up the matter heartily, and worked at it, the result being subscriptions have been received of over £300. Much of this we certainly should not have received except for their good aid and service, for which we heartily thank them.

The Foundation Stone Laying was a great success, from every point of view. Our President was in excellent form, and set all at ease, so that all went through well. The religious part of the ceremony was beautifully and appropriately rendered, and a strictly religious feeling pervaded the place. The singing greatly enhanced the effect. The amount collected and promised at this ceremony was over £700. The stone was assuredly well and truly laid by the extra tap given to it.

The Carnival was again a great success; the day was fine, the attractions great, and the attendance bigger than ever, but the financial result was not quite what might have been expected. By the experience gained, we hope another year to better control the admissions, and have no doubt

shall obtain the desired result. Our best thanks to the Committee who carried it through, and all engaged with them, also the Council for lending the Park.

The Ball was not so well attended as in previous years, but all enjoyed themselves, and had a very good time. An amount was handed over to the general funds for maintenance.

Then came the Entertainment at the Chiswick Empire. This was a very great success, the people responded well, and there was an overflow house. The performance was good, the audience were appreciative, and thoroughly enjoyed the programme. The result is more than satisfactory, viz., £225. We were in want of a lift, but felt we could not provide this and at the same time open the Hospital free of debt, so determined to leave this till a later date, when we saw how we were heading with the Hospital in full work, but as Mr. Milne was so good, through our friend, Dr. Walter, to offer to arrange for this entertainment, by permission of Sir Oswald Stoll, and there was the prospect of the success attained, the Building Committee saw the opportunity of using the money to provide for a lift, which will be in future known as the "Stoll" lift, with a plate recording the occasion.

Mr. Milne, who was taken ill just before the Concert, was brought to our Hospital, and was unable to be present. We are glad to know he is recovering, and we sincerely trust he may soon be in perfect health once again.

To all who took part in the entertainment, either in arranging, entertaining, or as audience, we offer our sincere thanks for contributing to so magnificent a result.

The Bazaar has to come along, and we are now more than anxious as to the result. We certainly hope a good sum may be obtained. We think those taking part will have a good time, and are sure they will do their best to take us round the last lap, so we shall be well over the line and have money in hand, after paying all costs of building and expenses of opening.

The opening in May will be a red letter day, and we trust that our friends will once again support us to make it a success. The money we obtain at this ceremony we propose to place to the Endowment Fund. This, together with the Dispensary money, should form the nucleus of an Endowment Fund that should strengthen as the years pass by.

I have been talking round my subject so long, now may I come to the new Hospital, that has taken up so much of our thoughts and energies for so long a time, and is now nearing completion.

I think we have to thank Messrs. Dodge and Reid, our Architects, for the clever planning, good design, excellent fittings, and careful supervision during construction. Our builder, Mr. Challis, for having given us sound construction, reliable work, and a building that will be good 100 years hence; Dr. Walter for having made all arrangements with regard to an X-ray set; the Linen League for having provided all the blankets and linen for the beds and tables; to the House and Building Committee; and to all others who have assisted either by subscriptions, goods in kind, or service; we assure them their kindness is appreciated, and we trust it will now be only a few weeks before all will be able to see the new Hospital in working, and to fully appreciate what a boon it is going to be to the neighbourhood.

Good nursing, comfortable and happy surroundings, do so much to the quick restoration of health. We certainly have a Hospital with many conveniences for the easy working; the glass in the windows is the new vita glass, which allows the health-giving rays of the sun to come through. Surely there is an extra chance here of quick recovery.

The trees in the garden will be pleasant to look upon, either clothed in Spring bloom, Summer leaf, or Autumn fruit. Even unclothed, they are interesting, the fantastic shapes of the branches and twigs weave in our fancies' mind all kinds of queer shapes, forms and phantasies that will ever keep the patient interested, and set a much needed line of thought, that shall take him out of his own particular suffering, thus aiding the doctors and nurses in their beneficent work. Nature helping science!

There are some who think the Hospital ought to have been opened earlier. I can assure them it would have been very unwise to have done so, before the March winds had blown through it. Had we done so, we should have asked for trouble, and have deserved it. As it is, we can open with confidence, knowing the place will be perfectly dry, and cannot cause any ill-effect to the patients. This is certainly the best course to take for all concerned.

I cannot conclude without one word of praise for our Chairman, Treasurer, and Secretary. They are three hard-worked men in their ordinary occupations, who have taken on this additional work, which during the last year or so has not been light, and to my knowledge has at times dipped very heavily into their leisure; in fact, left them little or no leisure; they have worked with a will to do the best for the Institution they have at heart, that it shall be a success as to arrangement and accommodation, to carry out the beneficent work it is constructed to accomplish; also that the Hospital shall be started free of debt, so that it shall not be hampered, and when the doors are opened, it may be "full steam ahead." We are ready to take in all up to our full capacity, trusting to Providence and a generous public to supply the additional funds required to run so considerably enlarged a venture.

We have to thank most sincerely a generous public who have subscribed so liberally, and thus enabled us to be in the happy position we are to-day.

Our thanks are also due to the Doctors, the Matron, the Nurses, and the Staff for the good work they have put in during the year, which, on the whole, has been no light one. We have no doubt they will be able to continue their good works with better effect under the improved conditions, when they have entered into the new quarters.

To one and all who have helped in the least degree, we say, thank you, we shall want all your assistance in the future, even as you have given it so unstintedly in the past.

Mr. Charlton said that the speaker had not mentioned the lady who laid the Foundation Stone, and it was largely due to Mrs. Stallabrass that the ceremony was such an exceedingly happy and successful one. The Chairman also thanked Dr. Walter for arranging the X-ray apparatus, but did not mention that he (Mr. Stallabrass) gave it, and also that he was equipping the Hospital in every detail. This means an enormous help, and one that cannot be fully realised until it is seen, and a great debt of gratitude is felt for these splendid gifts.

Mr. F. S. Cross, the Hon. Treasurer, presented his financial statement, which Mr. Stallabrass proposed should be adopted. This was seconded by Mr. Charlton, and carried unanimously.

Mr. T. Baker, the Hon. Secretary, presented the Report of the House Committee, and Mr. Poole proposed that this should be adopted. This was seconded by Mr. H. S. Green, and carried.

The Chairman proposed that Col. J. B. Stracey-Clitherow should be re-elected President. This was seconded by Mr. Cross, and carried unanimously.

The Chairman proposed the election of Mr. F. S. Cross as Hon. Treasurer to the Hospital and Dispensary. This was seconded by Mr. Gandy, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Challis proposed the election of Mr. T. A. Baker as Hon. Secretary to the Hospital and Dispensary. This was seconded by Mr. Bellamy, and carried unanimously.

The Rev. C. P. Koelle said that year after year they accepted the services of Mr. Charlton, Mr. Cross, and Mr. Baker, and he thought they hardly appreciated the enormous amount of work done by them. This county is the only one where such a large amount of work was done gratuitously and he thought that they did not get all the praise for their labours, but they deserved it.

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the Medical Staff, and also the Nursing Staff, which was seconded by Mr. Doran and Mr. Challis.

Mr. Charlton stated that he did not think the relations between the Medical Staff and the Committee had ever been more pleasant.

The Chairman spoke of the splendid work of the Doctors and Nurses, as he could speak from experience, as he owed his life to them. Mr. Challis and Mr. Poole supported the Chairman in his remarks, as they could speak from personal experience of the work of the Doctors and Nurses.

A vote of thanks was proposed to the General Committee and House Committee by Mr. Branden, which was seconded by Mr. Gandy and Mr. Jupp.

The election of the General Committee as it stood was proposed by the Chairman, but as Mr. A. H. Charlton had become a Life Governor, there was a vacancy.

In addition to the old Committee, the following names were proposed : Mr. Fred Allen, Mrs. New, Mr. Poole, Mr. E. C. Jones, Mrs. Doran, Mrs. E. Underwood, Mr. Elms. A ballot was taken, and the old Committee were re-elected, with the addition of Mr. Fred Allen.

The General Committee now consists of Life Governors, Hon. Life Governors, the President, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Medical Staff, the Trustees, Mr. Fred Allen, Mr. W. H. Bellamy, Mr. J. Dinnis, the Rev. C. P. Koelle, the Rev. Father Dan Roche, Mr. H. Green, Mr. W. H. Mills, Mr. Chas. Taylor, Mrs. T. Baker, Mrs. Gomm, Mrs. Charles Jupp, Mrs. Walter Pearce.

Mr. Doran proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman, which was seconded by Mr. Charlton, and all those present showed their appreciation.

BRENTFORD HOSPITAL.

REPORT OF HOUSE COMMITTEE.

The House Committee have pleasure in presenting their report for the year ending December, 1927. This is the 36th Annual Report, the Hospital having been opened in 1892.

The number of patients admitted during the year was 105, of which 60 were women, 26 men, and 19 children. This is a decrease of 24 on the previous 12 months of 1926, but the patients have stayed longer in the Hospital, owing to their cases being more serious.

The average stay of patients in the Hospital was 18.39 days, and the average daily number of patients was 5.29.

Five deaths occurred.

There have been 46 medical cases, 59 surgical, including seven accidents; these include 13 major operations, and 33 minor. Anæsthetics were administered to these cases, as well as to many out-patients.

The Medical cases include Broncho Pneumonia, Duodenal Ulcer, Nephritis, Diabetes, Phlebitis, Hoematemesis, Gastritis, Carcinoma, Uraemia, Pleurisy, Shingles, Hydro Nephrosis, Influenza, Nephoptosis, Rheumatism, Pneumonia.

The Surgical cases include: Carbuncle, Empyema, Laparotomy, Lipoma, Dysmenorrhœa, Urethral Caruncle, Uterine Fibroid, Pelvic Cellulitis, Mastoid, Appendectomy, Hernia, Prostatectomy.

The number of patients visited in their homes, or who have attended the Hospital as out-patients, amounted to 1,233, and the number of attendances was 7,322.

There were 12 Dental patients.

The Committee wish to thank the Honorary Consulting Physicians, the Honorary Consulting Surgeons, the Honorary Dental Surgeons, the Honorary Consulting Gynæcologists, and all the Medical Staff for their services during the year. They also desire to thank the Nursing Staff for their services during the year, as the Committee feel that special care has been given by them to all serious cases, and they are fully aware that the Staff have not spared themselves in any way, and shown their devotion to their duties and fully upheld the honour of the profession to which they belong.

The Committee also desire to gratefully acknowledge the gifts in kind which have been sent to the Hospital this year; these gifts are greatly appreciated, especially as they are a help to the maintenance, and also a comfort to the patients.

The Committee are also pleased to report that the Hospital Savings Association has been a great help to the Hospital, and also to the patients, and it is hoped that this Association will be fully supported throughout the town, especially as our new Hospital will need all the help that it can procure from all sources of this description.

BRENTFORD DISPENSARY.

Balance Sheet, 1927.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance in hand from 1926	38	10	5	Dr. Parker, 51 Letters .	10	4	0
„ Dividends from 3% Metropolitan Stock	59	11	8	Dr. R. C. Neil, 58 Letters	11	12	0
„ Subscriptions :				Dr. Ruxton, 21 Letters	4	4	0
Rev. Mutimer ...	1	1	0	Brentford Hospital ...	230	0	0
Westminster Bank ...	1	1	0	Balance in hand ...	95	5	1
Barclays Bank ...	1	1	0				
„ From Deposit to Current Account .	150	0	0				
„ Refunded from Hospital Account ...	100	0	0				
	£351	5	1		£351	5	1

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.
8 War Certificates, purchased April 3rd, 1919, value to Dec., 1927	236	13	4
2 War Certificates, purchased Aug. 19th, 1919, value to Dec., 1927	58	6	8
£1,986 3% Metropolitan Stock, present value	1,678	3	5
Deposit Account, £200, Interest to 31st Dec., 1927, £14/7/6 ...	214	7	6
Balance at Bank	95	5	1
	£2,282	16	0

BRENTFORD HOSPITAL.

Donations and Subscriptions.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Mr. R. E. Austen ...	1	1	0	Mr. Jas. Clayton ...	1	1	0
Mr. Ancell (don.)	0	10	0	Mrs. Charlton ...	0	10	6
The Anglo-American Oil Co. (don.)	1	1	0	Ald. Forrester Clayton J.P. ...	2	2	0
The Beldam Packing Co. (2 years) ...	6	6	0	Dr. Agnes Dunnett (don.) ...	2	2	0
Mr. G. W. Beldham (1926) ...	1	1	0	Duke of York Cork Club (don.) ...	0	10	6
Messrs. Bradshaw Brown & Co., 1926	1	1	0	Messrs. Jos. Dorey and Co. ...	2	2	0
Mr. S. A. Bishop (don.) ...	1	10	0	Mr. L. Dunn (don.)	0	5	0
Mr. Bolton (don.)	1	10	0	Messrs. Fuller, Smith and Turner ...	2	2	0
Brentford Football & Sports Club (don.)	10	10	0	Mr. & Mrs. H. Green	1	1	0
Brentford Football & Sports Club ...	55	6	0	Mr. James Goodman	1	1	0
Messrs. Alfr. Buck and Son ...	1	1	0	Mr. & Mrs. Geo. Gandy	1	11	6
Miss C. Baker ...	1	0	0	Col. & Mrs. W. Garner	2	2	0
Brentford United Homing Soc. (don.)	7	16	4	Mrs. Gomm ...	1	1	0
Mr. W. H. Bellamy	1	1	0	Girdlers Company ...	3	0	0
Bowmans, Charity Trustees of (don.)	10	10	0	Gas Light & Coke Co.	5	5	0
Mr. & Mrs. T. A. Baker ...	1	1	0	Mr. & Mrs. Hamilton	1	1	0
Barclays Bank ...	1	1	0	Mr. T. H. Harris ...	0	10	6
British Lion Lodge I.O.O. ...	1	1	0	Mr. W. A. Hounson (don.) ...	2	0	0
Messrs. Clements Knowling & Co., 1926 ...	2	2	0	Mr. C. W. Howard ...	0	5	0
Mr. J. Clements, J.P.	0	10	6	Mr. F. Howard ...	0	5	0
Mr. R. Chree ...	1	1	0	Messrs. Howard and Sons ...	0	10	6
Mr. Chapman (don.)	0	5	0	Mr. B. H. Howard	0	5	0
Miss A. Croxford ...	5	0	0	Mrs. A. N. Howland (don.) ...	0	10	6
Messrs. Clarke, Nicholls & Coombs	5	0	0	Mr. Harry ...	1	10	0
Mrs. Lane Claypon (don.) ...	1	0	0	Rev. T. Selby Henrey	1	1	0
Mr. Geo. Challis ...	1	1	0	Mrs. D. M. Jupp ...	0	10	6
Crown Laundry (don.)	0	10	0	Mr. Alfred Johnson	0	10	6
Mr. & Mrs. F. S. Cross	1	1	0	Mr. G. H. Jupp ...	5	0	0
Miss Cruse (don.) ...	0	10	0	Mrs. Jupp ...	1	0	0
Col. J. B. Stracey Clitherow ...	10	0	0	Mr. Chas. Jupp ...	1	1	0
Mr. A. H. Charlton J.P. ...	1	1	0	Rev. C. P. Koelle ...	2	1	0
				Mr. F. S. Lyne, Mus.Bac. (don.) ...	1	1	0
				Mr. Lockyer ...	0	10	6
				Middlesex County Football Association	3	0	0
				Mr. F. E. Meyers ...	1	1	0
				Metropolitan Electric Supply Co. ...	2	2	0
				Mr. A. Martin ...	0	10	6
				Mrs. Moore ...	0	10	6

DONATIONS—(Continued.)

	£	s.	d.
His Grace, the Duke of Northumberland	5	5	0
Mrs. New	0	10	0
Mrs. Nolder (don.) ...	2	2	0
Miss Needham	1	1	0
Miss E. Needham ...	0	5	0
Mrs. Padbury (don.)	0	3	6
Mrs. Pearce 1925-6-7	1	11	6
Mr. Tho. T. Pennington	5	5	0
Mr. T. W. Pennington (don.)	1	1	0
Messrs. Walter Pearce and Co.	6	6	0
Rev. Fr. D. Roche ...	1	1	0
Rev. Fr. D. Roche ...	2	2	0
Richmond & Twicken- ham Post Office ...	1	17	6
Mrs. Leopold de Rothschild	16	0	0
The Royal Brewery (Brentford)	10	10	0
Messrs. T. B. Rowe and Co.	3	3	0
Mr. Wm. Swann (don.)	0	10	0
Shell Mex, Ltd. ...	1	1	0

	£	s.	d.
Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Stallabrass	10	0	0
Mr. Chas. Taylor, in memoriam Mrs. Taylor	1	11	6
Mr. Chas. Taylor ...	1	11	6
Thames Steam Tug and Lighterage Co.	2	2	0
Miss Underwood ...	0	5	0
Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Wickenden, 1926	1	11	6
Ditto, 1927	1	11	6
Westminster Bank ...	1	1	0
Dr. W. H. Walter ...	1	1	0
Ditto, Alexandra Day don.	0	5	0
Mr. and Mrs. Woolgar	0	10	0
Mr. H. H. Whitehead, J.P.	3	3	0
Mrs. Whitehead ...	1	1	0
York Mineral Water Company	2	2	0
	£285	12	10

RECEIVED TOO LATE FOR 1927 ACCOUNT :

	£	s.	d.
Mr. G. W. Beldam	1	1	0
Mr. & Mrs. W. F. Wickenden ...	1	11	6

	£	s.	d.
Messrs. Clements Knowling & Co. ...	2	2	0
Messrs. Bradshaw Brown & Co. ...	1	1	0

CONGREGATIONAL COLLECTIONS.

	£	s.	d.
St. Paul's Church	2	2	0
Congregational Church ...	2	0	0
Park Baptist Church, U.F.C. Meeting	2	7	8
Primitive Methodist Sunday School, Flower Service	1	0	0
St. Laurence Church, Harvest Festival	2	2	0
Baptist Church, North Road	2	2	0
St. John's Church	2	2	6
Primitive Methodist Church, New Road	1	0	0
St. George's Church	2	2	0
Park Baptist Church	1	2	6
Brentford Congregational Church	2	0	0
	£20	0	8

BRENTFORD COT

Balance Sheet

LIABILITIES.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
LOAN TO HOSPITAL—Brentford Dispensary ...	...	...	...				255	0	0
CAPITAL ACCOUNT—									
For Buildings and Equipment—									
Balance at 31st December, 1926 ...	...	...	...	6,838	5	1			
Add Receipts during year ended 31st December, 1927 :									
Donations and Box Collections ...	...	...	...	389	19	3			
Collection at Laying of Foundation Stone	...	...	...	615	12	0			
Proceeds of Carnival ...	488	9	5						
Less Expenses ...	...	...	158	11	11				
				329	17	6			
Brentford "Independent" Shilling Fund—									
on account ...	...	...	...	250	0	0			
Proceeds of Cricket Match ...	...	...	...	18	14	6			
Sale of Remnants from Bazaar ...	...	...	...	1	8	4			
Interest on War Loan ...	...	...	...	172	10	0			
Interest on Deposit Account (closed) ...	...	...	...	19	18	3			
Grants from King Edward's Hospital Fund :									
Will's Legacy ...	...	...	1,000	0	0				
General Fund ...	...	...	2,000	0	0				
				3,000	0	0			
British Red Cross Soc. (Brentford division)				1,600	0	0			
Total Receipts ...	...	...	...	6,397	19	10			
Less Miscellaneous Payments :									
Tithe Rent ...	...	...	...	3	19	2			
Cheque Book ...	...	...	...	0	4	2			
Printing and Stationery ...	...	...	...	21	17	6			
Bouquet ...	...	...	...	2	2	0			
Postages ...	...	...	...	2	4	11			
Rates ...	...	...	...	2	4	3			
Hire of Hall ...	...	...	...	2	2	0			
Loss on sale of £3,450 5 per cent. War Loan, 1929/47	...	...	...	51	0	4			
Fee paid for Report on New Grove House ...	...	...	...	31	10	0			
				117	4	4			
				6,280	15	6			
				13,119	0	7			
				£13,374	0	7			

We have audited the above Balance Sheet with the Books, Accounts and Premises belonging to the Hospital, which we were informed were held by Mr. Stanley provision has been made in the Balance Sheet for amounts due to and by the Subject to these remarks, the said Balance Sheet is, in our opinion, a full thereof.

12, Coleman Street,
London, E.C.
12th June, 1928.

TAGE HOSPITAL.

December 31st, 1927.

ASSETS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND—									
On Account of :									
Building and Equipment Fund—At Bank	1,817	5	9			
General Fund—									
At Bank	80	10	2			
In Hand (including Petty Cash)				5	7	8½			
							85	17	10½
							1903	3	7½
LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT OF									
THE HOSPITAL—									
Present Hospital premises—cost									
New Hospital pre-									
mises in course of erection	1,200	0	0			
Balance at 31st December, 1926	1,401	14	10			
Add Expenditure, being payments on									
account of the following during the year									
ended 31st December, 1927 :—									
Building	8,250	0	0			
Architect's fees	450	0	0			
				8,700	0	0			
							10,101	14	10
							11,301	14	10
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT—									
Balance at 31st December, 1926	50	4	7			
Add Excess of Payments over Receipts for the year									
ended 31st December, 1927, transferred from folio 2				118	17	6½			
							169	2	1½

£13,374 0 7

Vouchers relating thereto, but we did not inspect the Deeds relating to the Freehold Ruston. The Income Account being confined to actual Receipts and Payments, no Hospital at the 31st December, 1927.

and fair one, and correctly sets forth the position of the Hospital at the date

A. ASSHETON LOWE & CO.,

Chartered Accountants,

Auditors.

BRENTFORD COT

Receipts and Payments for

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
ORDINARY—						
Subscriptions and Donations (including Collection Boxes, £103 17s. 8d.) ...				377	10	6
King Edward's Hospital Fund for London				25	0	0
Congregational Collections				20	0	8
Entertainments				83	18	3
Receipts on account of Services to Patients (including District Nurse Collections, £50 8s. 9d.)				320	12	6
OTHER RECEIPTS—						
From Public Authorities	55	16	0			
"Alexandra Day" Fund	85	0	0			
"League of Mercy" Grant	15	0	0			
Isleworth Aid & Welfare Society ...	12	0	0			
Sale of Tin Foil	2	3	9			
	<hr/>			169	19	9
Balance, being excess of Total Pay- ments over Total Receipts for the year, transferred to Balance Sheet folio 1				118	17	6 $\frac{1}{2}$

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TAGE HOSPITAL.

Year ended December 31st, 1927.

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
MAINTENANCE—						
Provisions				230	15	9
Surgery and Dispensary (including pay- ments to Laboratories of Pathology and Public Health)				113	16	1
DOMESTIC—						
Water	3	5	1			
Fire and Lighting—						
Coal	59	7	11			
Gas	60	5	6			
	119	13	5			
Cleaning	12	6	11½			
Laundry	84	10	7½			
				219	16	1
ESTABLISHMENT—						
Insurance	4	15	0			
Renewals and Repairs	29	8	0			
				34	3	0
SALARIES, WAGES, ETC. (including Uniforms and National Health Insurance)—						
Nursing and General (including District Nurse)				424	11	10
MISCELLANEOUS—						
Salary of Assistant Secretary	25	0	0			
Printing and Stationery	24	7	6½			
Postages	5	7	11½			
Telephone	13	9	1			
Audit Fee (1926)	12	12	0			
Hire of Ambulance	0	6	0			
Sundries	7	18	4½			
				89	0	11½
Total Payments for Maintenance				1,112	3	8½
Rates and Taxes				3	15	6
				£1,115	19	2½

GRANTS FROM CENTRAL FUNDS.

	£	s.	d.
Alexandra Day Funds, Rose Day	85	0	0
League of Mercy	15	0	0
King Edward's Hospital Fund	25	0	0
	<u>£125</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

WORKS COLLECTIONS AND HOSPITAL BOXES.

	£	s.	d.
Employees, T. B. Rowe and Co.	1	8	1
"Griffin" Hotel, Mr. Compton	6	5	0
Employees, Brentford Printing Co.	1	0	0
Westminster Bank	2	11	0
Employees, Gas Light and Coke Company	24	0	0
Mr. H. E. Cobb	1	11	6
Mrs. Bird	0	19	8
Cottage Hospital	26	9	6
Mrs. Freeman, "Rising Sun"	2	0	0
"The Lord Nelson," Mr. G. Wolsey	3	7	0
Thames Steam Tug and Lighterage Company—Docks	1	2	5
Ditto, Repair Yard	2	0	0
Market Collection by Mr. J. Hollman, Jun.	10	17	0
Rothschild Girls' School	2	16	6
Rothschild Boys' School	1	13	6
Dr. Ruxton	1	4	8
Employees, Geo. Challis	3	4	2
Employees, Spenser Whatley	1	5	5
Employees, River Lighterage Company	0	18	6
"The Feathers" Hotel	1	13	1
Mrs. Teakle	0	10	0
United Water Softeners	2	9	4
"Duke of York," Mr. R. J. Andrews	1	5	3
B.U.D.C.	0	8	2
Mr. A. Underwood	0	19	3
Box with no name	1	19	8
	<u>£103</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>8</u>

ENTERTAINMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
Mrs. M. E. Perren, Raffle	1	8	6
Proceeds of Dance	24	4	8
Brentford Ratepayers' Association Concert	35	0	0
Proceeds of "Carter Cup," per Mr. W. H. Carter	10	14	1
Half Proceeds of Cricket Match, per Mr. J. J. Cowley	2	11	0
Chief Constable, No. 1 District	10	0	0
	<u>£83</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>3</u>

DONATIONS TO BUILDING FUND DURING 1927.

	£	s.	d.
Colonel J. B. Stracey-Clitherow	25	0	0
Miss Taylor, Remnants from Bazaar	1	8	4
Mr. J. C. Lane-Claypon	2	2	0
Messrs. Fuller, Smith and Turner	5	0	0
Mr. Willis H. Wilson	1	1	0
Mr. H. T. Tatlow	1	1	0
Mr. Matthews	1	1	0
Mr. Barnes	1	1	0
Anonymous	30	0	0
Mr. W. H. Mills, C.C.	5	5	0
Mr. Chas. Taylor, in memory of Mrs. Taylor	25	0	0
The Late Mr. L. D. Taylor	5	5	0
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gandy	5	5	0
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Pooley	1	0	0
Messrs. Clements, Knowling, Workmen's Box	6	5	9
Messrs. Walter Pearce and Co.	25	0	0
King Edward's Fund, Well's Bequest Distr.	1,000	0	0
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stephenson	10	10	0
Mr. Stanley Ruston	52	10	0
Mr. A. H. Charlton, J.P.	20	0	0
Dividend on 5 per cent. War Loan	86	5	0
Mr. Chas. Mason	5	5	0
Mrs. Lucas Williams	50	0	0
Messrs. Alfred Buck and Son	10	10	0
Collection at Laying Foundation Stone	615	12	0
Miss Jane Edney	0	10	0
Mrs. Davis and Mr. L. H. Davis	5	5	0
Mr. Arthur Bradbury	5	5	0
Brentford & Isleworth Div. British Red Cross Society	1,600	0	0
Collection by Members, I.O.O. Loyal Sons of Freedom	1	1	0
Great Western Railway	5	5	0
Masters Pearce, Hospital Box	0	6	6
Mr. Edward Bugby	1	1	0
Brentford "Independent" Shilling Fund	250	0	0
Carnival Proceeds	329	17	6
Proceeds of Cricket Match	18	14	6
Miss A. Croxford	5	0	0
Mr. W. H. Millington	2	2	0
King Edward's Hospital Fund	2,000	0	0
Transfer from Deposit Account	619	18	3
Employees Gas Light and Coke Company	3	0	0
Box Collection, "Globe" Hotel, per Mr. H. W. Smith	18	5	0
Sir William Barber, J.P.	2	2	0
Mr. Howard Kingham	2	2	0
Mrs. Kingham	1	1	0
Miss Evelyn Kingham	0	10	0
Messrs. David Greig, Ltd.	1	1	0
Brentford Allotments Association	1	1	0
Messrs. Rothschild	50	0	0

Payments for Services from Public Authorities.

	£	s.	d.
Metropolitan Police District	12	19	0
Prudential Approved Societies	7	0	0
Hospital Savings' Association	35	17	0
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	£55	16	0
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PAYMENTS FOR SERVICES RENDERED.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		
Mr. Pizzy	0	10	0	Mrs. Ruddick ...	0	7	6	
Mrs. Cross	31	16	0	Mr. Henry Dashbrook	0	5	0	
Cyril Williams ...	...	0	5	0	Mrs. Ambrose ...	0	5	0	
Miss Edwards ...	...	8	18	6	Baby Lewis ...	...	0	5	0
Mrs. Bishop ...	...	3	15	0	Edith Harvey ...	...	2	2	0
Mrs. Brandon ...	...	2	14	0	Mrs. Field ...	...	5	5	0
Mrs. Gillin ...	...	0	10	0	Mrs. Coles ...	...	3	13	6
Mr. R. Bradon ...	...	0	7	6	Mrs. Collyer ...	...	2	2	0
Mr. F. Layton ...	...	0	5	0	Mr. Ronald Bushell .	...	0	10	0
Dr. Bhandari ...	...	9	12	0	Mr. Spencer ...	...	1	4	0
Mr. Entecott ...	...	2	5	0	Mr. G. Andrews ...	...	0	7	6
For the late Mrs.					Joan Austin ...	...	0	10	6
Cornish	15	7	6		Mr. F. F. Poole ...	...	24	12	6
Mrs. Clayton ...	...	2	2	0	Mr. Gregory ...	...	3	3	0
Mrs. Rapps ...	...	1	1	0	Pamela Kirby ...	...	0	10	6
Miss McKeegan ...	...	12	12	0	Mr. Jas. Gadd ...	...	0	5	0
Mr. H. C. Curtis ...	...	1	1	0	Mr. W. Field ...	...	0	5	0
Mr. Allkins ...	...	5	2	9	Mr. A. Viccary ...	...	0	6	0
Mr. E. Anderson ...	...	0	10	0	Baby Pink ...	...	0	10	0
Mrs. Kneil ...	...	1	1	0	Mrs. Hatcher ...	...	0	5	0
Mrs. Stallabrass ...	...	5	0	0	Mrs. Bailey ...	...	6	6	0
Mrs. Adams ...	...	2	2	0	Mr. Leslie King ...	...	4	0	0
Mr. Arthur Ayres ...	...	0	15	0	Mr. Leonard ...	...	0	10	0
Mr. M. C. Jennings ...	...	0	10	6	Mrs. Ockemore ...	...	0	15	0
Mrs. Turner ...	...	5	13	8	Mrs. Trotman ...	...	0	5	0
Miss Parnell ...	...	1	1	0	Mrs. E. Smith ...	...	34	0	0
Mr. Bugby ...	...	3	7	6	Mr. P. Bryant ...	...	0	10	6
Thos. H. Trobe ...	...	1	0	0	Miss Cruse ...	...	5	5	0
Mr. Craske ...	...	6	0	0	Mrs. Watson ...	...	6	12	0
Miss Parnell ...	...	1	1	0	Mr. Sargeant ...	...	4	4	0
Miss Phylis Langford.	...	1	0	0	Mr. T. W. Pennington	...	1	1	0
Mrs. Clinton ...	...	1	0	0	District Nurse				
Mrs. Hopgood ...	...	1	10	0	Collection	50	8	9	
Mrs. Lane Claypon ...	...	18	14	4					
Mr. T. A. Baker ...	...	4	4	0					
Mr. Fermor ...	...	3	3	0					

BRENTFORD HOSPITAL.

Rules and Regulations.

I.—The Hospital shall be called the BRENTFORD HOSPITAL.

II.—The expression “Subscribers” shall throughout the rules and regulations extend to and include Life Governors and Honorary Life Governors.

III.—Any donor who subscribes or has subscribed the sum of £20 at one time shall become a Life Governor.

IV.—The House Committee shall have power to appoint at their discretion as Honorary Life Governors any person who has rendered exceptional service to the Hospital.

V.—The Annual General Meeting of Subscribers, of which seven clear days’ notice shall be given to every subscriber for the past year, shall be held not later than March in each year, to receive the Report and Accounts, and transact any other business, and to elect the General Committee, President, Treasurer of Dispensary, Treasurer of Hospital, and Hon. Secretary of the Hospital. The omission of any individual notice shall not invalidate any meeting.

VI.—Special Meetings of the Subscribers shall be called by the Secretary upon the written requisition of the President, or of five members of the General Committee, or ten Subscribers of not less than 10s. each. Such requisition shall state the object of the Meeting, and be sent to the Secretary. Ten clear days’ notice of such Meeting shall be given by the Secretary to the Subscribers qualified to be present, and shall specify the business to be brought forward.

VII.—The General Committee shall consist of Life Governors, Honorary Life Governors, the President, Hon. Treasurer, and Hon. Secretary, the Hon. Medical Staff, the Trustees, and twelve Subscribers of not less than 10s. annually, elected at the Annual General Meeting.

VIII.—The General Committee, any five Members of which shall form a quorum, shall meet after the Annual Meeting of Subscribers, and shall annually appoint from its Members a House Committee of Management, consisting of twelve, together with the President, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretary and the Medical Staff, who shall be ex-officio members. The said House Committee of Management, any five members of which shall form a quorum, shall appoint the Nursing Staff, and control the arrangements for the efficient working of the Hospital.

IX.—The General Committee shall appoint annually the Medical Officers for the ensuing year, any vacancy occurring may be filled by the House Committee.

X.—The Medical Officer on duty shall have charge of the Medical arrangements.

XI.—The House Committee may appoint Sub-Committees, the Members of which need not be Members of the House Committee, and the House Committee may make regulations for the management of the Hospital.

Any vacancy occurring in the said House Committee may be filled by the remaining Members of the House Committee.

The House Committee shall have power to co-opt not more than two Members of the General Committee, such co-opted Members to remain in office until the following Annual General Meeting.

XII.—At the Annual Meeting of Subscribers, in addition to the Life Governors and Hon. Life Governors, Annual Subscribers of 10s. and upwards shall be entitled to vote. When the voting is equal the Chairman may give an additional casting vote.

XIII.—Patients afflicted with mania, epilepsy, infectious, incurable or advanced pulmonary disease are inadmissible. Maternity cases are not eligible, except under agreement with the B. & C.U.D.C.

XIV.—Patients will be expected to contribute weekly towards the cost of their maintenance, but the House Committee may, if they think fit, remit charges should the patient's circumstances warrant this course.

XV.—Application for admission must be made to the Medical Officer for the time being, who will decide whether the case is fit for admission, except in the event of serious accident, when the patient will be at once admitted into the Hospital.

XVI.—Any of the Medical Men on the Staff already in attendance on a case may follow it up in the Hospital, if it is the wish of the patient.

XVII.—Every requisite will be provided in the Hospital, and patients may not receive food or drink from any other source without the sanction of the Doctor or Matron.

XVIII.—Admission for visitors is from three to four on ~~Wednes-~~ *Thursday.* days and Sundays. In serious cases relatives may be admitted at any time by applying to the Medical Officer or Matron.

No patient to receive more than two visitors at a time.

XIX.—These rules shall be altered, amended, or rescinded, only at a General Meeting of Subscribers convened for that purpose, and provided that any such alterations, amendments, or rescissions be approved by a resolution supported by a vote of not less than two-thirds of those who are present at such General Meeting of Subscribers, and who are entitled to vote.

NURSES.

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1.—The Nurses will be available for visiting suitable cases at the patients' homes in Brentford, west of Kew Bridge, both sides of Murray Road, and the streets south of that road, and Brentford End.

2.—All applications for nurses must be made to the Medical Officer at his house, or to the Matron at the Hospital.

3.—The limit of a Nurse's attendance on a patient shall be decided by the Medical Officer.

4.—A Nurse will not attend any infectious diseases or midwifery cases.

5.—In cases of emergency, a Nurse (if disengaged) may be required to attend paying patients at their own homes, if so ordered by the House Committee, who will fix the charge to be made for her services.

6.—The Matron shall record the visits, attendances, etc., in a book to be provided for the purpose by the House Committee.

7.—No Nurse is allowed to interfere with the religious opinions of any patient under her care.

8.—No money may be paid to a Nurse, and no gratuity may be received by her, except with the consent of the House Committee.

9.—No Nurse will be allowed to attend a patient out of the Hospital, nor at night, except with the permission of the Medical Officer or Matron.

10.—No attention will be paid to any complaint, except it be made in writing to the House Committee, or a member thereof.

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It is hoped that the inhabitants of Brentford who feel an interest in the Brentford Hospital will sometimes pay it a visit and inspect its arrangements and workings. The Nurses will welcome such visitors and show the Hospital on Tuesday afternoons between four and five o'clock.

The Foundation Stone

of the

New Hospital

was Laid on Saturday, 11th June, 1927

by

Mrs. STALLABRASS

*The Chair on this occasion was taken by
Col. J. B. Stracey-Clitherow, C.B.E.*

The account of the Ceremony is given below, taken from
the Brentford "Independent."

Among all the many, varied, and eventful scenes recorded in the public life of the historic town of Brentford, there surely has not for some centuries past, at any rate, been one of the kind to rank in importance with that presented on Saturday last, when the Foundation Stone of the new Hospital was ceremoniously placed in position. To begin with, the assemblage was one of the largest, most noteworthy, and most representative that living memory can recall, and when the object of it all is borne in mind, it stands unique in all local annals. We do not think, sanguine as all the worthy promoters must have been as to the outcome of the day's proceedings, viewed in all its aspects, anticipations did not attain to the realised facts. The time fixed was three o'clock, but long before that hour every available seat was occupied. It was calculated that close on 2,000 people were present, for besides the marquee (the approaches to which were gay with bunting), and the covered adjoining spaces, there were surrounding crowds who could not be accommodated, and who were most good-humouredly content to obtain glimpses of what was transpiring. The remark passed from one to another that it looked as if "all Brentford was present." There were 600 chairs provided, but hundreds more of spectators were there, in or without—creeds, classes, professions, and callings, together with large numbers of the gentle sex. In a phrase, the response was magnificent, and the fine weather added, seemed to set the seal on the day's success.

As appropriate to the occasion, the gathering partook to a considerable extent of a devotional character. There was a combined choir, which led the singing of the hymns, under the conductorship of

Mr. F. E. Lyne, Mus.Bac., and Mr. F. A. Guest was the organist. The musical part concluded with "All people that on earth do dwell," familiarly known the world over as the old Hundredth Psalm. The Gas Works Band played selections previous to the commencement of the ceremony, and in the carrying out of the general arrangements for the comfort of the immense company, Messrs. Foulkes, Whalley, New and Dinnis, jun., acted as stewards, and together with the members of the British Legion, rendered valuable service. The Legionaries also took up the collection in a very impressive manner.

The singing of the choir was a marked and most pleasing feature, the voices blending very melodiously, and the whole effect enhancing the refined and uplifting nature of the whole ceremony.

There were some amusing little incidents in the course of the afternoon. For instance, when reference was made by the President to the munificence of Mr. Stallabrass, a gentleman among the audience exclaimed: "He ought to be knighted!" The remark was greeted with vociferous applause, and Colonel Stracey-Clitherow promptly voiced his entire agreement, and added that as they had their Member of Parliament among them, he was the man to see to it, and if he didn't he ought to be turned out at the next election.

The President, when the principal event was reached, gallantly escorted Mrs. Stallabrass to the stone, and after watching that lady deftly handling the trowel, said: "I think you are used to such a ceremony, Mrs. Stallabrass, you do it so well." Those who heard the remark emphasised it with their hearty applause. Just as the documents and journals were being inserted in the cavity prepared, Colonel Stracey-Clitherow pulled out a coin of the realm and said: "Here, put that in, too."

The stone bore the following inscription:

FOUNDATION STONE LAID BY MRS. THOMAS STALLABRASS.

PRESIDENT, COLONEL J. B. STRACEY-CLITHEROW,
C.B.E., J.P.

JUNE 11th, 1927.

CHAIRMAN, A. H. CHARLTON.

HON. TREASURER, F. S. CROSS.

HON. SECRETARY, T. A. BAKER.

BUILDER, GEORGE CHALLIS.

ARCHITECTS:

H. W. DODGE, F.S.I., R. A. REID, A.R.I.B.A.

Foundation Stone: Supplied by Messrs. Lamb and Hewett.

Silver trowel: Supplied by Messrs. Pearce and Co.

Marquee: Supplied by Messrs. Smith and Co., Kew Market. All of Brentford.

Photograph of ceremony by Ernest Howard, of 2, Acton Lane, W.4.

Supporting the President (who was accompanied by his granddaughter, Miss Juliet Gurney), were Lady Cooper, Lady Regnart, Col. W. Grant Morden, M.P., and Mrs. Grant Morden, Mr. A. H. Charlton (chairman of the House Committee), Mr. F. S. Cross (hon. treasurer), Mr. T. A. Baker (hon. secretary).

Among the many others present were the Rev. Hamilton Rose, Rev. Daniel F. Roche, Rev. C. B. Flood, Rev. T. Roberts, Rev. C. E. Buck, Mrs. Koelle, Mrs. Makepeace, Mr. Thomas Stallabrass, Mr.

and Mrs. Cloutman, Colonel and Mrs. Garner, Mr. H. Sanders, J.P., Mr. and Mrs. De Bec Turtle, Dr. and Mrs. Rowe, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Stallabrass, Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Neil, Dr. and Mrs. Donaldson, Dr. W. H. and Mrs. Walter, Dr. Ruxton, Dr. Mabel Ruxton, Dr. Dunnett, Mr. Dunnett, Dr. W. Parker, Dr. and Mrs. Bhandari, Mr. Coysh, Mr. G. H. Jupp, Mr. James Clayton, and Mrs. J. Clayton, Master T. Stallabrass, jun., Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stallabrass, Mrs. Lucas Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jupp, Mrs. Gomm and Miss Gomm, Mr. James Clements, J.P., and Mrs. Clements, Mr. Bellamy, Mr. and Mrs. J. Dinnis, Mr. and Mrs. H. Green, Mr. W. H. Mills, C.C., Mrs. Mills, Mrs. T. A. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. W. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pearce, Mr. F. G. Cressy, J.P., Mr. A. E. Moore, Mrs. Dodge, Mr. T. W. Stockley, Mr. Joseph Weathers, C.C., Mrs. T. E. Doran, Mrs. Mountford, Miss MacKeegan, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Foulkes, Mr. and Mrs. S. Garratt, Miss C. Oates, Mrs. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. H. Whalley, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. New, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stephenson, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Stephenson, Mrs. A. H. Charlton, Mrs. A. J. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. I. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Brawn, Mr. and Mrs. Burden, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. W. Buck, Mr. and Mrs. Bridgman, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Blundell, Mr. and Mrs. George Challis, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cowley, Mrs. Nixon, Miss Hilda Stainer (the Hospital Matron), Nurse Butt, Nurse Batter, Mr. and Mrs. F. Dodge, Mrs. and Miss Reid, Mr. and Mrs. G. Gandy, Mrs. Guymer, Miss Guymer, Dr. Guymer, Mrs. Guest, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howard, Mr. and Mrs. F. Howard, Mr. B. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hughes, Mrs. Jefferies, Mrs. Lyne, Mrs. Noy, Mrs. Cheyne, Mr. and Mrs. Sladden, Miss Fermor, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Turner, Mr. and Mrs. F. Turner, Miss Lees, Miss Wood, Mr. and Mrs. W. Griffith, Mrs. Walker, and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tyler.

Letters of apology were received from a large number of influential supporters, who were unable to be present.

Precisely to the appointed time, the ceremony began, which opened with the hymn, "Thine Arm, O Lord, in days of old, was strong to heal and save." As in one voice, the combined choirs sang the hymn with great fervour. Then followed the Lord's Prayer, led by the Rev. C. Philpot Koelle, M.A., Vicar of St. Laurence's Church, New Brentford, in which parish the new Hospital will be situated. After the Lord's Prayer, the recitative, "Except the Lord build the house," was sung by a member of the choir, then all present joined in the rendering of Psalm cxxi., "I will lift mine eyes unto the hills; from whence cometh my help."

At the conclusion of the Psalm, the Rev. T. Selby Henrey, M.A., of St. George's Church, Old Brentford, read St. Matthew xiv., 1-14, as the first Lesson, and the Rev. C. Philpot Koelle M.A., read Revelations, xxi., 1-4, as the second Lesson, both of which were very appropriate for the occasion.

After giving an address, Colonel J. B. Stracey-Clitherow, C.B.E., J.P., President, and a Governor of the Brentford Hospital, conducted Mrs. Thomas Stallabrass, of the Hospital House Committee, to the Foundation Stone, where she was handed a silver trowel, which was suitably inscribed.

Colonel Stracey-Clitherow said that it was a great honour to be there that day to lead Mrs. Stallabrass to the Foundation Stone of the new Hospital (applause). She was a lady who had won all the hearts of the people of Brentford (applause), chiefly due to the mag-

nificent work she and her husband had done for many years on behalf of the Hospital (cheers). Though he was no longer a resident of Brentford, he still had a great affection for the place, because it was where he was born and where many of his happiest hours were spent. He was proud to own that he belonged to the Clitherow family of Brentford, who, prior to him leaving the town, were connected with the place since 1600. It was a great wrench to him when he left Brentford, but the heavy taxation imposed during the past few years on large houses, etc., had compelled him to seek other quarters. He was proud also to know that one of his ancestors was one of the originators of the present Hospital, and that he was able to interest himself in the founding of the building of the new Hospital (applause). Since the erection of the present Hospital, Brentford had steadily grown prior to the Great War, but since then the population had increased at a more rapid rate, especially upon the opening of the Great West Road. The increase had gone on so that the present Hospital had really become too small. Some time ago, therefore, it was considered absolutely necessary to build a new Hospital to contain more beds, so as to cope with present-day requirements. He knew that all there that day were convinced that the present Hospital, owing to the increase of the population, which was still increasing, was not nowadays big enough to put all the cases into it. It was a vital necessity that they should have a bigger hospital and more up-to-date in regard to appliances, etc. It was very pleasing to know that the Hospital possessed a very capable staff, which spoke well for the Matron (applause). Brentford people had always come forward readily whenever something most essential for the welfare of the town was needed (applause). They had found money for the new Hospital (cheers); they had kept up the spirit of the past (cheers); they had shown that anything badly wanted in Brentford did not go a-begging (further cheers); and they had come forward and given freely. He considered they were the most generous people in England (applause). The Committee of the Hospital could not have chosen a more suitable lady to lay the Foundation Stone there that day than Mrs. Stallabrass (loud cheers). It was due to her indefatigable work, coupled with that of her husband, that the Foundation Stone of the new Hospital could be laid that day (cheers). Brentford owed a good deal to Mr. and Mrs. Stallabrass for what they had done in the past, and were still doing (applause). What they had done in the past was deeply appreciated by all, he felt sure, and in asking Mrs. Stallabrass to lay the Foundation Stone, the Hospital Committee showed the best proof of its esteem and gratefulness for what she and her husband had done for the present Hospital, and in helping considerably to hasten on the building of the new one (applause). The Colonel then asked Mrs. Stallabrass to lay the stone.

Before so doing, copies of the documents relating to the new Hospital, and issues of the "Times," the last Hospital Report, the "County of Middlesex Independent," and the "Brentford and Chiswick Times," were placed beneath the stone in a cavity and cemented over.

After performing her task of laying the stone, which ended by her tapping the laid stone three times with a mallet, Mrs. Stallabrass pronounced, in clear tones, the customary words for such an occasion, "I declare this stone to be well and truly laid."

She was then presented with a beautiful large bouquet of carnations by her youngest grandchild, Miss Joyce Stallabrass, and Master Michael Charlton.

Mr. F. S. Cross, the honorary treasurer, made the following statement :

“ For many years the want of more hospital accommodation in Brentford has been felt, and to-day that need is urgent. In 1920, that good friend to the Cottage Hospital, the late Mr. Peter Crook, died and left by his will £500 to the Cottage Hospital, without any conditions. It was then decided that this legacy should be the nucleus of the Building Fund for a new hospital. This fund has grown, and with it the enthusiasm for a new hospital; this land, one acre and 1-10th, was bought and paid for, and early this year building operations were decided on, and at this moment, if we realise anything approaching our hopes of the coming fete and carnival, and a further grant from King Edward's Fund, who have already helped us enormously, we are faced with an estimated deficit of £1,700. I should here mention that it is the unanimous wish of the Committee to leave intact our investment, which has been the property of the Cottage Hospital for some years. That is the position, and the Committee feel justified in their strong hope that this Hospital may be opened at the end of this year, unencumbered with any debt. It is an achievement worth the striving for. When it is realised that this Hospital and the land will have cost over £14,000, and we are assured of a sum within £1,700 of this amount, you will see that much work has been done. Speaking as and for the Brentford citizen, and bearing in mind again the great enthusiasm for the work in hand by every helper, and this includes our splendid architects, Messrs. Dodge and Reid, the builder, Mr. Challis, with their foremen and workmen, I venture to say that Brentford people will have a very great care for this monument of all that is best among us. We Brentford people will look upon this Hospital as a great trust to be nourished by the benevolence of each and all of us, and from my 15 years' experience as hon. treasurer, I have no misgiving about the result” (loud applause). They were deeply grateful for what had been done and was still being done by the people of Brentford, and those interested in the building of the new Hospital. They owed a great deal to the splendid work of Mrs. Stallabrass (applause). She had rendered valuable service to the Hospital in the past, and had it not been for her great help and that of her husband, they would not have been so advanced with the building of the new Hospital (cheers).

At the conclusion of the Hon. Treasurer's statement, the hymn, “At even, ere the sun was set, The sick, O Lord, around Thee lay,” was very impressively sung.

Then the Vicar of St. Laurence's Church offered up a prayer, as follows :

“ Let us pray, brethren, unto the Lord our God, that He may bless this Hospital with His loving kindness, and grant unto its inmates the protection of His Fatherly care.”

“ O God, who ever governest Thy creatures with tender affection, incline Thine ear to our supplications, and let Thy Fatherly Hand be ever over all the patients who shall enter this Hospital. Visit them with Thy saving health, and bestow on them the medicine of Thy heavenly grace, and grant that they may be restored if it by Thy gracious will, to health of body and mind. O, Thou Healer of all diseases, bless, we beseech Thee, the doctors of this Hospital, that they may ever exercise their skill in dependence upon Thee and look with Thy mercy upon Thy servants who shall be called to attend the sick

and suffering. Grant them patience and tenderness, wisdom and strength, that they may faithfully minister to those whom Thou shalt send them. Bless, O Lord, this Hospital for ever, to the assuaging of pain, the solace of helplessness and weariness, and to the comfort of the dying, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen."

Then followed a most beautiful and touching extemporary prayer by the Rev. H. M. Brook, B.Sc., minister of the Wesleyan Church, Brentford, whose words must have imbedded themselves deeply into the minds of all present. Where the Vicar of St. Laurence had prayed for God's Fatherly Hand over all the patients who should enter the new Hospital, and implored the Lord to bless the doctors who attended to them, and to comfort the dying, the Rev. Brook concentrated his prayer more upon all benefactors of the Hospital.

Then followed the hymn, "All people that on earth do dwell."

Colonel J. B. Stracey-Clitherow asked Mrs. Stallabrass to accept the silver trowel, which was presented by Messrs. Dodge and Reid, as a memento of that occasion.

Mrs. Stallabrass, on rising, was received with loud applause. She said that she felt it was a very great honour conferred upon her in laying the Foundation Stone of the new Hospital. The welfare of the Hospital was very dear to her and would always be so (cheers). She had been connected with the Hospital for many years. The time had come when Brentford needed a larger and more up-to-date hospital. The present one was too small. She knew that when the Brentford people saw the new Hospital, they would be very proud of it (cheers). She knew that she would (further cheers). She wanted all Brentford people to help all they could, and to continue to help the funds of the new Hospital when it was opened (applause).

Mr. A. H. Charlton proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. Stallabrass for laying the Foundation Stone, and said he was glad that she was restored to health and able to attend that afternoon to lay the Foundation Stone (cheers). It was exceedingly gratifying to see so many there, which showed the high regard they had for Mrs. Stallabrass. He did not know what the Hospital would have done without her services and those of her husband (cheers). Mrs. Stallabrass would be able to see her name engraved upon that Foundation Stone and feel it was the highest compliment possible that the Hospital Committee could pay her. Memories of her past good work on behalf of the Hospital would be perpetuated by her name upon the stone (cheers). She and her husband had given the greatest possible support to, and had inspired, the Committee (cheers). It was the great work rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Stallabrass that had enabled them to get on more quickly with the new Hospital (cheers).

Mr. T. A. Baker, the honorary secretary, in seconding the resolution, said that he was very pleased to see Mrs. Stallabrass was able to be there. They could not have chosen a more suitable lady to lay the stone. She had rightly earned the honour to do so (cheers). Mrs. Stallabrass and her husband had nobly supported anything worth supporting (cheers). They were deeply grateful to them, and he was sure everyone in Brentford had a warm place in his heart for them (cheers). Like the King, they were already taking an interest in the playing fields (cheers). Brentford could never forget the noble work Mr. and Mrs. Stallabrass had done, and were still carrying on, for Brentford (cheers). He thanked Colonel Stracey-Clitherow for his kind words, and in coming there that day.

Mr. Thomas Stallabrass, J.P., in a brief speech, thanked those who had spoken so highly of him and his wife. He said that he had a very great affection for the Hospital. He had tasted of its fruits (applause), and he should never forget the great care and attention which was given to him by the sister in charge and her staff (applause). Brentford needed a larger and more up-to-date hospital. They meant to have it fitted up, as much as possible, with all the latest equipment, including an X-ray set. He was pleased to know that the shilling fund was meeting with great success. The amounts on the list surprised him. Some of the small amounts given did not indicate meanness, it showed poverty in Brentford. One poor woman, who had stored away a 5/- piece given to her by her dying sister, and kept in memory of her, had given it as her share to the Hospital Fund. The Committee had decided to raffle that 5/- piece, and what was realised upon it should be placed down as this poor, but rich-hearted, woman's contribution to the Hospital Fund (loud and prolonged cheers). He said that two-thirds of his wife's life had been spent in his native town, and she had always had a tender heart for the Hospital (applause). He was glad to see Colonel Stracey-Clitherow there that day, because his ancestors had been connected with Brentford for hundreds of years, and they had always done their duty (cheers). Old deeds of Brentford showed this (applause). The name of Clitherow constantly cropped up in Brentford's history (applause). He was glad also to see him presiding over them upon such an auspicious occasion (cheers).

Colonel Stracey-Clitherow thanked Mr. Stallabrass for his kind words. He said it made him feel very sad to have to say that he was separated from Brentford. The severe taxation alone was the cause of that. He was the last Clitherow to live in the town, but he would always keep in touch with it as long as possible (cheers). He would like to propose a hearty vote of thanks to the Hon. Treasurer and the Hon. Secretary. They had worked very hard indeed, and had collected a considerable amount of money (cheers). They were very useful men in getting money in. He should not be surprised if Mr. Cross was able to draw money out of people's pockets like drawing water out of a well (loud laughter and applause). They had much to thank Mr. and Mrs. Stallabrass for (cheers).

Colonel W. Grant Morden, M.P., thanked Colonel Stracey-Clitherow for giving him the opportunity of saying a few words. He said to raise money for any kind of charitable purpose was not one to be envied. That afternoon had seen the laying of the Foundation Stone of a most necessitous thing for Brentford (cheers). It was a great undertaking to raise money for the building of a hospital, because so much was attached to it. He felt proud to know that Brentford people had contributed, and were still contributing, towards the new Hospital Fund (applause). The honour of laying the Foundation Stone by Mrs. Stallabrass was a worthy recognition of her great services rendered to the Hospital in the past (cheers). He had great pleasure in seconding the vote of thanks to Mr. Baker and Mr. Cross for the very excellent work they had done.

Mr. Cross and Mr. Baker briefly replied, and thanked the President and Colonel Grant Morden for the kind appreciation of their work.

The ceremony concluded with the Vicar of New Brentford pronouncing the Benediction, and the singing of the National Anthem.

The collection, which was taken after the laying of the stone, realised over £550. Two cheques for £200 each were given, also a £50 cheque. Thus the rest of the assemblage gave about £100 among them.

Sub-Divisional Inspector Baughan was present, with Inspector Sullivan and a detachment of constables to help in carrying out details, and the most onerous portion of their duty appeared to be the regulation of the Boston Road traffic, where, at the close of the ceremony, large numbers lingered to cheer the distinguished visitors as they left for their respective destinations.

The Patron of the Hospital is the Duke of Northumberland, K.G., and the Life Governors and Honorary Life Governors are Colonel J. B. Stracey-Clitherow, Lady Cooper, Mr. James Clayton, Mrs. A. B. Cloutman, Mr. A. H. Charlton, Mr. G. H. Jupp, Colonel Grant Morden, M.P., Miss Needham, Mrs. Leopold de Rothschild, Mr. A. Stanley Ruston, Mr. Thomas Stallabrass, J.P., Mrs. Stallabrass, Mr. Henry H. Whitehead, J.P., Mrs. Whitehead, Mrs. Lucas Williams, the Brentford Gas Company, the Beldam Packing and Rubber Company, the Brentford Football Club, Messrs. John Dorey and Co., Messrs. Fuller, Smith and Turner, Isleworth Brewery, Messrs. Jupp and Sons, the Royal Brewery, Brentford, and Messrs. T. B. Rowe and Co., Ltd.

The Trustees are: Mr. G. H. Jupp, Mr. T. Stallabrass, J.P., Mr. A. Stanley Ruston, Mr. H. H. Whitehead, J.P., Mr. F. E. Meyers, Mr. G. H. Jupp, jun.

Hon. Secretary: Mr. T. A. Baker; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. F. S. Cross.

The House Committee consists of the following: Mr. A. H. Charlton (chairman), Mr. W. H. Bellamy, Mr. J. Dinnis, Mr. H. Green, Rev. C. P. Koelle, M.A., Rev. Fr. Dan Roche, Mr. W. H. Mills, C.C., Mr. Charles Taylor, Mrs. T. A. Baker, Mrs. Gomm, Mrs. Charles Jupp, Mrs. Walter Pearce, Mrs. Stallabrass, Mrs. Lucas Williams, and Dr. W. H. Walter.

The Building Committee comprises the following: — Mr. A. H. Charlton (chairman), Mr. T. A. Baker, Mr. F. S. Cross, Rev. C. P. Koelle, M.A., Mr. W. H. Mills, C.C., Mr. T. Stallabrass, Mr. Charles Taylor, Dr. Walter, and Mr. H. H. Whitehead, J.P.

The following consists of the Medical Staff: W. H. Walter, M.D. (Brux.), M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P., L.S.A.; E. W. Lowry, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (London); R. C. Neil, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (London); H. W. B. Ruxton, M.B. (Aberdeen), Ch.B., D.P.H.; W. Parker, M.B., Ch.B. (Victoria University); P. C. Bhandari, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (London); and A. Dakers Gowans, M.B., Ch.B.

Hon. Anæsthetist: Mrs. Mabel H. Ruxton, M.B., B.S. (London).

Hon. Dental Surgeon: T. A. Coysh, L.D.S., R.C.S. (Eng.).

Hon. Ophthalmic Surgeon: W. H. Walter, M.D.

Hon. Consulting Surgeons: Aslett Baldwin, F.R.C.S. (Eng.); R. M. Rowe, M.D., M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (London); Victor Ewings Negus, M.B., B.S. (London), F.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (London), (nose, throat and ear).

Hon. Consulting Physician: G. de Bec Turtle, M.D. (Durham), M.R.C.P. (London).

Hon. Consulting Gynæcologists: Malcolm Donaldson, B.A. (Cantab.), F.R.C.S. (Eng.), M.B., B.Ch. (Cantab.), M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (London); and John William Bell, L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S.I.

Matron: Miss Hilda Stainer.

Architects: Messrs. Dodge and Reid, F.S.I., and A.R.I.B.A.

Builder: Mr. George Challis.

The bouquet of choice pink carnations, tied with mauve ribbon, presented to Mrs. Stallabrass, was supplied by Carter's, florists, of the Half Acre.

The New Hospital

was Opened by

Col. J. B. STRACEY-CLITHEROW, C.B.E.

On Saturday, 19th May, 1928

*The Chair on this occasion was taken by
Arthur Charlton, Esq., J.P.*

The account of the Ceremony is given below, taken from
the Brentford "Independent."

Brentford's New Hospital was opened with great success on Saturday afternoon last, and though a bright and promising forenoon was suddenly succeeded by a rainstorm, it did not prevent such a huge, influential, and thoroughly representative an assembly as was never, surely, witnessed in the County Town of Middlesex before. The time fixed for the actual ceremony was three o'clock, but long before then the marquee fronting the building was steadily filling to its utmost capacity, and the stewards' efforts were severely taxed to find suitable accommodation for the visitors, who streamed steadily in, while the platform, too, barely sufficed to accommodate those for whom seats were there allotted.

The Band of the Brentford British Legion was in attendance, and admirably performed an attractive selection of music, while an augmented choir from the local churches sang the chosen hymns in a very impressive manner, under the direction of Mr. F. E. Lyne, Mus.Bac.

A contingent of the British Legion, St. John's Ambulance, Boy Scouts, and Girl Guides, formed a guard of honour to Colonel Stracey-Clitherow, C.B.E., J.P., whose entrance to the tent was the signal for the whole company to stand in respectful and affectionate greeting. The Colonel was accompanied by his relatives, Mrs. and Miss Gurney, who were each presented with a lovely bouquet of roses by Miss Joan Charlton and Master David Stallabrass.

Mr. Arthur H. Charlton, J.P. (chairman of the Hospital Committee)) presided, and was supported, in addition to Colonel Stracey-Clitherow and the ladies mentioned, by Sir Montagu Sharpe, J.P., Colonel W. Grant Morden, M.P., Mr. Thomas Stallabrass, J.P., Alderman Forrester Clayton, J.P., Mr. H. H. Whitehead, J.P., Mrs. T. Stallabrass, Sir H. Ford, Dr. R. C. Neil and Mrs. Neil, Mrs. Baker, Mr. George Challis and Mrs. Challis, Dr. W. Parker, Miss Needham, Mrs. Lucas Williams, Mr. J. Clements, J.P., and Mrs. Clements, Mr. A. and Mrs. Stallabrass, Mr. and Mrs. Cross, Mr. N. Stallabrass, Mrs. Nixon. Others present included: Mr. C. Jupp and Mrs. Jupp, the Misses Ellis, Rev. T. Selby Henrey, Mrs. Gomm, Rev. Father Dan Roche, Rev. Father Flood, Mr. E. C. Jones and Miss Eva Jones, Mrs. Kingham, Dr. Dakers Gowans, Dr. Constantine, Mr. T. A. Coysh, Mr. J. J. Cowley and Mrs. Cowley, Mr. F. Allen and Mrs. Allen, Mr. W. T. and Mrs. Foulkes, Mr. S. Garratt (Editor, "Independent") and Mrs. Garratt, Miss C. Oates, Dr. Rowe and Mrs. Rowe, Mr. H. F. Metcalfe, Dr. Bhandari and Mrs. Bhandari, Dr. Aslett, Dr. C. Gillcarey, Dr. Lowry, Rev. A. A. Walmsley, Mrs. Tuohy, Dr. Donaldson, Matron Stainer, Mrs. Koelle, Dr. Ruxton, Dr. Mabel Ruxton, Mr. and Mrs. Rutter, Mrs. Lyne, Mr. and Mrs. Underwood, Miss Commins, Miss Lees, Mr. Stanley Ruston, Mr. Walter Pearce and Mrs. Pearce, Mr. James Clayton and Mrs. Clayton, Mr. A. B. Cloutman, Mr. G. H. Jupp, Mrs. Whitehead, Mr. F. E. Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. Bellamy, Mr. and Mrs. Dinnis, Mr. and Mrs. Blundell, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Noy, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Doran, Rev. Hamilton Rose and Mrs. Rose, Mr. and Mrs. B. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. New.

All the members and the principal officials of the District Council were invited to attend, and those who were able to be present were: Mr. F. G. Cressy, J.P. (chairman), and Mrs. Cressy, Mr. W. J. Bolton and Mrs. Bolton, Mr. C. H. Curtis and Mrs. Curtis, Mr. H. F. Davis and Mrs. Davis, Mr. G. Davidge and Mrs. Davidge, Mr. Thomas Grant and Mrs. Grant, Mr. A. Viccars and Mrs. Viccars, Mr. T. W. Stockley and Mrs. Stockley, Mr. F. F. Poole and Mrs. Poole, Mr. Edwin Painter and Mrs. Painter, Mr. W. H. Mills, C.C., and Mrs. Mills, Mr. Leahy and Mrs. Leahy, Mr. H. Johnson, J.P., and Mrs. Johnson, Dr. R. C. Leaning (M.O.H.), Mr. E. Willis (engineer and surveyor), Mr. F. Turner, F.His.Soc. (librarian, Brentford Library and Museum), Miss M. Gilbert (deputy librarian, Chiswick).

The ministers conducting the religious portion of the service were the Rev. C. P. Koelle, M.A., St. Laurence's Church; the Rev. G. W. Tuohy, M.A., St. Faith's; and the Rev. H. M. Brook, B.Sc., Wesleyan Church.

The order of the service began with the hymn, "Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old, Was strong to heal and save." This was followed by the Lord's Prayer; the Recitative, "Except the Lord build the House"; Psalm cxxi.; the Lesson, St. Luke, x., 29-37; hymn, "At even ere the sun was set"; prayer; and special prayer for all benefactors of the Hospital. Then came the Dedication of the Hospital and the Benediction. Later, the choir rendered "Land of Hope and Glory," Mrs. A. Stallabrass taking the solo parts.

Members of the local British Legion were meanwhile making a collection in aid of the Endowment Fund. The last hymn was "the Old Hundredth":—

"All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice."

AN INTERESTING STORY.

The Chairman, in opening the proceedings after the service, said he was sure all were devoutly thankful that the new Hospital would be opened free from debt, and on behalf of the Committee he thanked all for their attendance. It might interest all to know that the institution was started as a dispensary in 1818, and in that capacity did excellent work for many years. Eventually, those responsible for the institution realised that they must extend the sphere of usefulness, and accordingly collected a fund for a hospital building, and the dispensary was then moved to the old hospital in The Butts, and in 1901 the freehold was acquired. About ten years ago, the Committee realised that the old hospital was inadequate and unsuitable for the work of the district, and after many discussions, they decided on building a new hospital in preference to altering any existing building. At that time, Mr. Whitehead was the Chairman of the Committee, and he took the opportunity of saying how much they owed to Mr. Whitehead for his wise counsel. Among the earliest subscribers were Colonel W. Grant Morden and Dr. Bott; the latter was an enthusiastic supporter, and his interest was continued to the time of his death. The Committee received £500 under the will of the late Mr. Peter Crook, and ever since they had been supported wonderfully. Now they had a beautiful building, splendidly equipped for its work, and magnificently furnished, the cost being about £17,000. Recently they had had presented a wireless installation, with extensions to each bed; a new operating table would be installed; all the blankets and linen had been supplied by the Ladies' Linen League; a lift had been installed by means of the proceeds of the concert at Chiswick Empire; and the garden and paths had been taken in hand by friends. One gift he wished to refer to specially. When the British Legion were making a house to house collection, they called on an old lady, who could not afford anything. She was, of course, told she was not expected to subscribe, but she insisted on the collector promising to call again. When he did so, he was handed a 5/- piece, with the words, "I would like you to take this for the Hospital; it was given me by my departed sister." That gift was too precious to spend, and when suitably mounted, would remain on the Hospital as one of their most treasured possessions (applause). The evening that they opened the tenders was really the turning point in the career of the building. They had estimated their assets, and wondered how much they would be on the wrong side. When the tenders were opened, the wrong side was found to be the amount they had estimated for furnishing. Then Mr. Stallabrass made his magnificent offer and said he would furnish the Hospital completely (applause). Considering that Mr. Stallabrass had already subscribed a large amount, he thought the offer was overwhelming; and it also had a stimulating effect, and everyone gave splendidly. Mr. Stallabrass was even better than his word, and when they saw the Hospital they would see how splendidly he had fulfilled his word with regard to the furniture and everything there. Mr. Stallabrass had been generous in every direction, and had now handed him the "Thomas and Beatrice Stallabrass Trust." Under the terms of this trust, a sum of £4,000 in 2½ per cent. consolidated stock, was placed in trust of Thomas and Beatrice Stallabrass for the Endowment Fund, its present value being about £2,300. He thanked Mr. Stallabrass for his token of affection for his native town, and he was sure the affection was reciprocated. Many others had given generously,

and many had given service and help, and all those the Committee thanked for what they had done, and hoped that all would feel they had an interest in the Hospital. They had also received grants from King Edward's Hospital Fund, and other institutions. All would agree that the architects, Messrs. Dodge and Reid, had done their work admirably, and had given most close personal attention to every detail. The builder, also, Mr. George Challis, had carried out his work perfectly, and both architects and builder had gone a long way beyond their duty, and had carried out their work to the complete satisfaction of a most exacting Committee. He also wished to speak of Mr. Frank Cross, their treasurer, and Mr. T. Baker, their secretary, who had put in a vast amount of work, and to whom they owed a debt of gratitude, and were more than satisfied with the result of their efforts. He had one matter to refer to which would interest all. He had received a letter congratulating the Committee that they were able to open the Hospital free from debt, which was creditable to all concerned. The writer continued that there might be some difficulty about keeping the establishment running, and no doubt they would do all in their power to provide the necessary funds. The writer thought an Endowment Fund was most essential, and that the Committee's idea of setting aside the collection that day to the fund was excellent; and as an old friend of the town, he would like to double the amount of the collection up to £50; he hoped that would stimulate other friends to do a little more than they might have done, and enclosed a cheque (applause). The Chairman said he commended the sentiments of the letter, and he had every confidence that they would not disappoint their anonymous but not unknown friend, by having to fill in the cheque for less than £50. He expected that it would be found possible to place the collection to the endowment fund as desired. The Hospital must be so supported that it could carry on its work to the fullest capacity. He thanked the medical staff, who had done splendid service, and were looking forward to doing even better in better conditions. They also thanked the Matron, who was most devoted to the patients, and who would now have greater scope for her undoubted ability (applause). They were greatly honoured by the presence of Colonel Stracey-Clitherow, who had been their President for many years; he had always taken the keenest interest in the work, and had given them splendid support. Colonel Stracey-Clitherow's family had been associated with the institution from its beginning, and its first treasurer was Colonel James Clitherow, a great-uncle of their President, whom, on behalf of the Committee, he now called on to open the Hospital.

THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

Colonel Clitherow then proceeded to the building and opened the door and inspected the Hospital, and on his return was formally presented with a solid silver key by the Chairman, on behalf of the architects.

The President said it was a high honour to him to be there to open the new Hospital. He had no doubt that the Committee, when they invited him, did so from sentiment rather than on account of his own qualities. His family had lived in Brentford for some 300 years, and as their Chairman had said, Colonel James Clitherow was one who helped to start the original hospital. That hospital, as times changed, became of little use, and the Committee came to the conclusion that

they must find something better for Brentford. It was a big undertaking to start anything like that with nothing, and to bring it to success was the greatest thing they could do. But it should be remembered that the Committee had Brentford to fall back on, and they might always depend on the people of Brentford. He had always said that they were the most chivalrous and loyal people of any town in the whole of England; there was nothing they would not do to help a good cause. It was wonderful to think that the Hospital had been built by the aid of the people of the town. Others, no doubt, had helped, but the people had exerted themselves in every possible way to get money, and make the Hospital a success, and start it free from debt. Long might it remain so, but it was, of course, up to the town to see it did not get behind hand. In building that Hospital, a great many had helped with their energies in every possible way, and their Chairman had referred to what Mr. Stallabrass had done. Mr. Stallabrass had done marvels, and so long as they had people like that, nothing would fail. The Chairman, however, had forgotten to mention Mrs. Stallabrass, who was really behind Mr. Stallabrass (applause). He was there last year, when Mrs. Stallabrass laid the foundation stone of the Hospital, and he was specially struck by the way she handled the trowel (hear, hear). He thought she had been at it all her life-time. A woman who could use a trowel like that could, no doubt, use many other sorts of trowels, and that was why they had the Hospital (applause). With regard to others, the Chairman had worked like a slave for the Hospital (applause). Then they had Mr. Frank Cross, the treasurer, who did not answer to his name, because he was the most civil and obliging man he had ever seen. He got letters from Mr. Cross, reminding him that he had not paid his subscription, and they were so pleasant that he sometimes delayed payment for the purpose of getting one (laughter). Their Secretary, Mr. Baker, had nearly made himself ill with the work for the Hospital, and he wondered there was anything of Mr. Baker left. He would like to mention that the Hospital was equipped with every possible requirement of science, and splendidly furnished. When a lift was needed, it was obtained by the aid of Mr. Milne, the organiser of the concert, and all were sorry that he could not be there to see it. Mr. Milne, he believed, was the last patient in the old Hospital, and he would like to put a plate commemorating that event in the new Hospital, for which he would be pleased to pay. With regard to the anonymous donor, who had offered to double the collection, he thought they ought to accord him a vote of thanks, as it was a most generous gift. They did not know his name, but he must be an extraordinarily good man, but Brentford was a wonderful place and produced such men. The Chairman had told them all about the Hospital, and he could only add that their thanks were due to the town and Committee, who had taken the work in hand, and brought it to such a successful result. He had great pleasure in declaring the Hospital open, and prayed to God it might last for ever.

HON. TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

Mr. F. S. Cross then made his statement, as follows:

The Brentford Cottage Hospital, with all its very interesting memories and history, is now closed, and the only debts remaining are those of gratitude for the great work it has done, and done under such cramped conditions.

This beautiful hospital lives in its place, and its only debts are those of gratitude for the splendid generosity of the Brentford people and their friends, which has brought this Brentford Hospital into existence.

Designed by Brentford architects, and built by a Brentford firm, and paid for by Brentford people, it is an evidence of the great sense of our people of what is right and good.

Speaking from my official capacity, I would answer the question frequently put to me as to how we can maintain this Hospital, by saying that if I have any anxiety at all, that anxiety is for the first nine months, because after all endeavours in the way of appeals to raise money for the new building, and remembering the Cottage Hospital was maintained all through that time, your Hon. Treasurer cannot begin next Monday begging for means to maintain the new Hospital, and I do sincerely suggest that some of the surplus monies in my hands would be better kept as a floating balance for use against contingencies, say, for the next nine months, than tied up in a trust for endowment at once—the consequent anxiety for the immediate future is one I would not care to face.

Give me this, and I have no misgivings; success brings success. This building is a great success as a Hospital building; on all sides we hear that it is one of the town's assets—the goodwill for the Brentford Hospital is growing, and this is no imagination, and to me spells greater success for it as a hospital. And I would like to add the hope that this institution, and all it means, may never, never, suffer municipal or governmental interference (hear, hear).

In that trust deed to which reference has been made, the first words are: "As the Donor, with thankfulness to God, and as a mark of affection for his native town of Brentford"—there are the ethics of the financial success of this undertaking, the loyalty and sincerity of Brentford people is such that one, in the capacity such as I hold, can go to his fellow townsmen, knowing that they will not refuse a request, but will do their best to maintain what is good and right (applause).

It was stated, in connection with the Endowment Fund, that Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pearce would give £100 when £500 had been subscribed. Six friends of theirs had already given £200 between them, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stallabrass had added £25.

VOTES OF THANKS.

Sir Montagu Sharpe, K.C., then proposed a vote of thanks to the President, saying that when he was asked to attend that ceremony he felt much gratified, because it showed that his old friends in Brentford had not forgotten him. He was very pleased indeed to see them all, and he considered that they were fortunate in this, their undertaking. They in Hanwell said Hanwell lived in the hills, but Brentford was in the mud (laughter). But Brentford had the money (hear, hear). The historic town had always proved equal to any claim that was made upon it, and in regard to the maintenance fund, he felt quite certain that, with the glorious spirit which characterised its people, the required support would be forthcoming. He must say that a more beautiful hospital than that they now had he had never seen, and he did heartily congratulate them on its possession (hear, hear). He congratulated them also on having as their President Colonel Stracey-

Clitherow, a member of a celebrated family (hear, hear). They could not possibly have a better president, and in moving this vote of thanks, he wished all success to the Hospital, which had been so successfully opened that day (applause).

Mr. H. H. Whitehead, J.P., seconded the tribute, and said it gave him very great pleasure indeed to be present. He, like all those present, felt delighted to see the new building compiled and ready for occupation, and it was most appropriate to have it opened by the gentleman who was their President. To him (Mr. Whitehead), it seemed hardly six years ago since they were considering the subject of the site for the new Hospital, and then Colonel Stracey-Clitherow offered the site, and members of the Hospital knew the real and valuable assistance which Colonel Stracey-Clitherow had rendered. It was something in the nature of an inspiration, as they had in him as President, a generous and genial personality, and a member of a distinguished family, which had been connected with the town of Brentford for over 300 years. Colonel Stracey-Clitherow had now turned over another page in the history of "Brentford's Hospital," and they were indeed fortunate in the circumstances, for they had the same President, the same Chairman, the same Treasurer and Secretary, and the same Committee, and they were all proud of the magnificent help which had been afforded by all in the establishment of the Hospital (applause).

Colonel Stracey-Clitherow returned thanks to Sir Montagu Sharpe for proposing, and Mr. H. H. Whitehead for seconding, the vote of thanks, though the terms they had used were all too flattering. He thanked all present for so cordially supporting the vote, and he must say, in regard to Sir Montagu Sharpe's allusion to "Hanwell in the hills," he would rather be in Brentford in the hollow, where the money was (laughter and applause). Before he sat down, the President said he ought to thank their good friends, the architects, Messrs. Dodge and Reid (who had given him the beautiful key), for designing the Hospital, and Mr. George Challis, the builder, whom they all knew so well, for so ably carrying it out, and all accomplished in the short period of one year. He did not know how they could have done it, and done it so well, in so short a time (applause).

Dr. Walter said he had a very pleasing duty to perform in proposing a vote of thanks "to all who had contributed to the building and equipping of the Hospital," but he thought that duty should have been placed in abler hands. The money received came from all classes, sects, and shades of politics, thus establishing a bond of fellowship which would never be broken; many shillings from artisans which would be valued as much as the higher sums, and those who contributed knew it was being spent on a good cause, in helping to relieve the sick and suffering (hear, hear). Then there was the Ladies' Bazaar Committee, which had raised £1,371; Appeal, Carnival and Fete Committees, £1,225 (hear, hear); the Red Cross, £1,500. It was wonderful, indeed, where the money came from. There was also the very thoughtful contribution made through the Brentford "Independent," for which they were very grateful, not only to the Editor and proprietors, but to their readers, who had subscribed £312 (hear, hear). Their heartiest thanks were due to all these kind friends (applause).

Dr. Neil, seconding, said Dr. Walter had covered the ground of this vote so well that there was little more to say. They were very grateful for the large or small amounts which had enabled the Committee to do what had been done for the equipping of the Hospital, and must by no means forget the poor people for their little pennies

and shillings, who had so willingly subscribed. And then there was the dear lady (Mrs. Mirams), who was killed in an accident while engaged in the work of collecting for the Hospital (hear, hear).

Mr. Thomas Stallabrass (whose rising to reply was greeted with loud and prolonged applause, and followed by "He's a jolly good fellow," and a ringing cheer for Mrs. Stallabrass), said it gave him very much pleasure to be there that day, and on such an occasion, and he thanked them very much for such appreciation of what was his own appreciation of the services which had been rendered to him by the doctors and the nurses while he was under their care. There was no reason to mince matters, for it was because of those services he had been able to do what little he had done. It was, however, for him to thank others, for if it had not been for what they had done by their good administration, matters would probably have been different. If there had been bad administration, things might have been different, whereas as there had been good administration, they had the Hospital, of which they were all so proud. There was, he said, first the President, who not only let them have the land, but gave them a cheque as well. He would recall, too, the valuable services of the Rev. Edwards and the Rev. T. Eland, and "Tommy Baker," who was the assistant secretary to Mr. Eland, and who was still doing the work so well, and had burned the midnight oil so often. Next, there was their good friend on his left (Mr. Whitehead), and then came Mr. Charlton, whose vitality and energy "put paid to the bill" (applause), all resulting in their having a Hospital so substantial and otherwise so excellent that if some of them should be wandering about in a hundred years' time they would find it as good as ever (laughter and applause). Next, there was another good friend, Mr. Cross, who had kept the old Hospital going, and emerged with a sum of £4 to the good. It was these gentlemen they had to thank for the great work they had done for the good of the cause and the success secured (applause). It was further his duty to thank the Committees—the Building Committee, the House Committee, and the General Committee—who had done their very best, and had used their brains to the utmost, and spurred others on in the work. Continuing, the speaker said they thanked the Carnival and Fete Committees, who had performed such wonderful work, and are doing it again, and hope to have a bigger amount next time (hear, hear). The Linen League had done splendidly in providing a full equipment of that material, and he would like to be permitted to say in this respect how much they all sympathised with Mrs. Gomm in the great loss she had recently suffered (hear, hear). To the doctors, too, they tendered their thanks, for they were always anxious to do anything and everything they could, and regarding the old Hospital, they naturally thought of the late Dr. Bott, who was so anxious to have a memorial hospital, but the decision was for a park, but he, Mr. Stallabrass, believed that if that gentleman were alive now, he would feel thankful for the delay in seeing what had been done. All honour, too, to the Matron and nursing staff of the old Hospital, and whose sympathy and care would be continued to the patients who would enter the portals of the new Hospital. The donors' thanks, further, were offered to the architects, Messrs. Dodge and Reid, for so successfully planning the new building, and giving such satisfaction by the way they had expended the money; and also to the builder, Mr. George Challis, and they felt that the Hospital would, apart from its usefulness, be an ornament to the town, and would last for very many years to come (applause). Mr. Stallabrass also included, on behalf of the

donors, their thanks to the foreman, to the workmen, and all concerned in the actual building work. In regard to the Endowment Fund, he was very hopeful they would have good results. "Will you help us?" he said; "help us, not beyond your means, but up to your means; and let those who are making their wills, remember to 'put us down' in them" (applause).

Colonel Grant Morden, in moving a vote of thanks to the Chairman, said they must all be proud of their Hospital. He warmly supported what Mr. Stallabrass had said as to the Endowment Fund. There were so many clergymen present, he must be careful as to the Scriptures, but it was stated "He who giveth to the poor, lendeth to the Lord," and they should profit by that advice if they wished to place their credit balance with St. Peter (loud laughter and applause).

Mr. Bellamy seconded the vote of thanks, and said it was, he believed, the dearest ambition of Mr. Charlton to have this Hospital established, and now he had achieved it (applause).

Mr. Charlton, hailed with musical honours, expressed his acknowledgment in a few appreciative words, and said that for ten years he had looked forward to such an occasion as this, and now he was privileged to witness it. He thanked them all very much (applause).

The National Anthem was sung, and before the large company dispersed Colonel Stracey-Clitherow called Mr. T. A. Baker forward, and presented him with an elegant silver dish, remarking (amid applause) that it might compensate him to some extent for the very hard work he had done on behalf of the Hospital.

Mr. Baker said he could only say that he was taken completely by surprise, and thanked them all very sincerely.

Just as Mr. Baker was concluding, the band played, and the remainder of his remarks were made inaudible, and he retired, amid applause. The souvenir was the gift of Mr. T. Stallabrass.

The inspection of the Hospital was, to a good extent, curtailed on account of the wet weather, and arrangements were made for visiting it on a more suitable occasion.

It was announced that the collection made during the proceedings realised £340, an intimation that was received with loud applause.

THE BRENTFORD BRITISH LEGION.

Despite the very wet afternoon, the ceremony was attended by 21 members of the local branch of the British Legion, who were allotted the premier position in the Guard of Honour formed by various organisations. Colonel Stracey-Clitherow was met at the entrance by Mr. T. Pennington, a member of the branch, who conducted Colonel Clitherow to the various units comprising the Guard. The Colonel inspected the British Legion detachment, stopping and asking many what regiments they were in and where they served. He was particularly interested in Mr. Mitchell, when he was told that this man had lost both feet and had two artificial limbs.

The detachment was warmly thanked for their attendance and services. Their President, Mr. J. Clements, J.P., and their Chairman, Mr. S. Garratt, were also present.

FULL OFFICIAL DESCRIPTION.

The Hospital is situated in the Boston Road, on a site 1 1-5th acres in extent, and is part of the land known in the past as Gale's Orchard.

The approach is from the Boston Road by a drive leading to a broad gravelled space in front of the Hospital, where are situated the main entrance and entrance for out-patients and accidents.

The accommodation provided on the ground floor is two wards of six beds each, with their respective sanitary blocks and bath rooms; one single bed ward, and two wards for two cots each. Nurses' duty room, and linen room, Matron's office, staircase, and lift to first floor, and doctor's lavatory, and off the main corridor the operating theatre, with anæsthetic and sterilising rooms, nurses' sitting-room, kitchen, scullery, and two larders, tradesmen's entrance, coals, etc., and in proximity to the out-patients' the X-ray room for diagnosis.

The out-patients' department consists of waiting-room, accident and treatment room, and surgery and dispensary, and lavatory.

The basement contains the boilers for heating and hot water and coke store, and is approached from the back entrance, near the scullery.

The first floor contains four private wards of one bed each, and sanitary accommodation, bath-room, nurses' duty room, staircase and lift to ground floor, matron's sitting-room, patients' clothing store cupboards, and nine bedrooms for nursing and domestic staff, two bath-rooms, and sanitary accommodation. Two fire escape stairs are provided.

The heating is by low pressure hot water, with gas fires for occasional use, electric lighting throughout, with emergency gas brackets, gas cooking stove, and gas in sterilising room, accidents' and duty rooms; hot water supply from boiler in basement, with hot water storage cylinder.

The builder is Mr. George Challis, of 185, High Street, Brentford. The principal sub-contractors are: Heating and hot water, Messrs. Durbin and Katesmark, of London; electrical installation, Mr. J. Webb, of Hammersmith; gas supplies and fittings, the Gas Light and Coke Company; X-ray apparatus, Cox-Cavendish Electric Company, London.

Mr. Harold Walker, of Brentford, has advised the Committee in reference to the wireless installation. The bed lift is by Messrs. G. Johnson, Ltd., of Battersea.

Messrs. Pearce and Co., of 231, High Street, Brentford, supplied the presentation key; Messrs. A. Smith and Co., of Brentford, supplied the marquees for the opening ceremony.

The photographs contained in the programme were by Mr. Ernest Howard, of Chiswick.

The building has been erected from the design of and under the superintendence of Mr. H. D. Dodge, F.S.I., and Mr. R. A. Reid, A.R.I.B.A., architects and surveyors, of Brentford.

